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### **FBI & SDPD Announce Arrest In Serial Bank Robbery Investigation**

On Monday, December 24, 2007, FBI Agents and San Diego Police Department Robbery Detectives arrested John Edward Roberts, age 46, in connection with robberies associated with the "Ugly Plaid Bandit" series. Roberts was arrested without incident in El Cajon, California.

Roberts is currently being charged with one count of bank robbery in connection with the December 10, 2007, robbery of the North Island Federal Credit Union, 3950 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., San Diego, California. The robbery of the North Island Federal Credit Union is one of seven robberies alleged to have been robbed by the "Ugly Plaid Bandit."

Roberts was booked into the San Diego Central Jail and is expected to have a court appearance in State Superior Court on Wednesday, December 26, 2007, or Thursday, December 27, 2007.

Roberts' photograph is not being released at this time pending additional investigation in other related cases.

If anyone has additional information in this case, please call the FBI at telephone number (858) 565-1255, or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS. You may remain anonymous by calling either telephone number.

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